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P. S. Direct your next letter
to Franklin on St. -
come a little sooner - &

In the woods near Lappack &
May 14th 1863.

Dear John;

Your letter of 30th April was
received this morning. I regret to hear that
your mind has been idle so long. We have a
rumor in camp that the Gauchos made
a Cavalry raid down the M & O RR to En-
terprise, and also that they went to
Louisiana. I think the former is certainly
a mistake. The latter I am inclined to
credit. If they have been to Enterprise
I need not be surprised to hear that
they gave you a visit, and if they did
I know they burned the mill to the ground.
I need not anticipate misfortunes tho. for
they come upon us soon enough. I ap-
preciate your views on the subject of sub-
stitution. I hardly know what course
to pursue in the matter. Of one thing I
am certain, and that is that I can

not be satisfied when I am, As to my
position in the Regiment. I don't know
that it will ever be any better than
that of 2nd Lieut. Col. S., as I am. The
Adjutant's plan has not been fixed
yet, because the Colonel is still con-
sidering for by Green. The War de-
partment has not yet decided the
matter positively, but I know that
it ought, and believe it will be
decided in Lewis's favor. I may re-
ceive the appointment. But this is
not to the point. I think by the 1st or 2^d
of June we can very well see how this
war will terminate, and when I
shall not undergo the hardships of
the Soldier's life during the coming Sum-
mer for any amount. How few the
money is at a very low rate, and I
think what I can raise will do me
more good by paying me out of trouble.

than any other way, I never desire than
that you look me up a 'Sub.' a good
stout boy who will not be 18 for 12 months
or more preferred, See what terms
you can get him on - and how much
I will have to pay him down, Let me
hear from you just as soon as you do
this, Have an understanding with
whom you can get, that you are
to hear from me again before the con-
tract is positively closed, This will
bring it up to about June when I
will have decided whether to remain
in the service or go out, I am tired
of every thing that appertains to war
We had quite a misfortune to happen
in the Regt - two days ago. Four men
were struck with lightning and
badly shaken - two of them now indis-
cible for a time, but all are improving
now, Enough of all that's done & was like

I saw Dan Sanders this morning - He
is due to Genl French - sends his com-
pliments to Sister & Family -
J. S. G.

Congratulations Cousin Sammie for me
on being able to have a sweet heart. How
nice times, I see her I say she is just
like all the rest of the girls, All de-
clare they wouldn't have anything to
say to a man who is not in the war
yet - they keep marrying every where
I can hear from them, I see her I
wouldn't be at all surprised to hear
of her wedding now that Sammie has
seen the way. Give her much love
for me. I will write to her in a
very few days, It rains here three
times a day and we have no tents -
only my mother & I have with me.
I have to go and clean my gun
for inspection at 5 o'clock, and it
is one solid cake of rust - we plan to
put it out of the rain, Good bye
My love to all - I have written to
Sister - Yours &c, Lewis Gage

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Sept 1st



Gen Sanders
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